



In re Application of: James C. Manning  
 Application No. 09/996,295  
 Filed: November 28, 2001  
 For: WIRE INSTALLATION TOOL

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Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

- ☒ Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☐ Other:
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.

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TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE			none		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00		
		subtract time extension fee previously paid		none		(\$ 0.00)		(\$ 0.00)	
CLAIM FEE		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE
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TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT						TOTAL	\$0	TOTAL	\$

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,  
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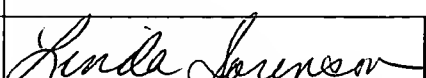
Examiner: Rick Kiltae Chang

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8</b>			
I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action and all accompanying documents are, on the date indicated below, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or <input type="checkbox"/> being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Attention: Examiner , Art Unit , Facsimile Number			
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